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A Merry
ChristmasA Holiday
Awakening!Good Will
To All

Thursday, December 7, 1899,

AT

The Brooks-Tyler Dry Goods Store.

◆◆◆◆◆ We Suggest for an 1899 Christmas Present ◆◆◆◆◆

FIRST FLOOR.

A New Dress

A Set of Underwear
Silk Hose
Kid Gloves
Golf Gloves
Silk Mittens
Kid Mittens
Knit Mittens
Silk Ties

Handkerchiefs

Ribbons
Pocketbooks
Boston Bags
Metal Chatelaines
Belt Buckles
Fancy Pins
Silk Skirts
Table Linens
Napkins to Match
Towels
Bath Rugs
Wool Blankets

Roman Silk Blankets

Comfortables
Sheets
Pillow Cases
Knit Scarfs
Knit Hoods
Knit Leggings

Toys

Pianos
Magic Lanterns
Blocks
Trains of Cars
Tool Chests
Trumpets
Drums
Animals
Steam Engines
Desks
Bureaus

Dolls

Dolls' Beds
Games
Dolls' Houses

Christmas Cards

Books
Calendars

Leather Goods

Glove Boxes
Collar and Cuff Boxes
Jewelry Cases
Brush and Comb Sets
Mirrors

Bath Robes

Neckties
Mufflers
Smoking Jackets
Boys' Suits
Umbrellas
Fancy Soaps
Perfumery
Men's Shoes
Ladies' Shoes

Fancy Slippers

Lambs' Wool Soles
Sweaters
Fancy Shirts
Hats and Caps
Trunks
Dress Suit Cases
Hand Bags
Fine Pocket Knives
Scissors
Brush Brooms

THIRD FLOOR

Rugs
Hassocks
Couches
Morris Chairs
Carpet Sweepers
Lace Curtains

SECOND FLOOR.

LADIES' JACKETS

Cloth Capes
Golf Capes
Silk Waists
Flannel Waists
Skirts
Mackintoshes (all colors)
Wrappers
Dressing Sacques

Fur Collarettes

Fur Collars
New Muffs
Children's Fur Sets
Muslin Underwear (in sets or pieces)
Trimmed Hats (at half price)
Children's Bonnets
Children's Caps

Indian Baskets

(lined and unlined)
Finished Dollies
Fancy Pin Cushions
Sachets
Tumbler Covers
Picture Frames
Emery Balls
Needle Books
Embroidery Materials
Hemway Silks
Materials for Lace Work

Art Pictures

Parlor Lamps
Student Lamps
Reading Candles
Christmas Wax Candles
Japanese Gong Bells

Dinner Sets

French China Sets
French China (odd pieces)
German China

Choice Cut Glass

Water Bottles
Fancy Cups and Saucers
Wedgewood China
Sovener China
Vases
Water Sets
Rose Bowls
Toilet Sets
Chocolate Pots
Jardinieres
China Clocks
Nickel Clocks
Metal Clocks

Sterling Silver Novelties

Carving Sets
Silver Fruit Dishes
Bon Bon Dishes
Oyster Forks
Fruit Knives
Silver Spoons
Soup Ladles
Silver Mugs
Silver Bells

Bath Room Fixtures

Dog Collars
Tea Pots
Coffee Pots
Trays
Pudding Dishes

Chafing Dishes

Toasters
Flagons
Lunch Baskets
Waste Baskets
Umbrella Stands
Brass Ornaments
Fire Sets
Andirons
Fire Screens

LOCAL GATHERINGS.

—Drop into Atwood's and get your Christmas candies.

—L. D. Hazen's residence is now connected with the telephone exchange.

—The Brooks-Tyler store will be open every evening except Wednesday until Christmas.

—Miss Clara Wilmarth has some fine water colors in C. A. Stanley's store windows that are very suitable for holiday presents.

—Advertised letters at the postoffice for the week ending Dec. 16: Larose, J. A.; Root, Louis P.; Towle, G. W.; Treen, William.

—Mrs. William Daniels has sold her slaughter house to Charles Stenson who has thoroughly repaired it and has hired a first class butcher.

—An excellent Christmas present is a receipt for your CALLEDONIAN subscription to January 1901. You bring in the money. We do the rest.

—Moore and Co. are distributing 1900 calendars that not only appeal to the eye, but are as attractive in their simplicity as any that reach our office.

—At last playing of the Clubs Mystic won 56 points and is now ahead 94 points on billiards. The Lyndon Club won 3 tricks and is now ahead 8 tricks on whist.

—There will be a promenade and social at G. A. R. hall Thursday evening, Dec. 21st, under the auspices of the W. R. C. Regular meeting will be at 3 o'clock in the afternoon.

—William Johnson was arrested at the Salvation Army meeting last Sunday night for disturbing the peace and in the justice court Monday fined \$14.76 for his misdemeanor.

—L. B. Harris will speak before the Mystic Club on Friday evening of this week. Mr. Harris is an interesting and instructive talker and has once before addressed the club.

—Field & Rowell's windows are attractive and frequently changed to attract buyers. Their beautiful photographs which they showed last week met with a ready sale.

—All hopes of sleighing were dissipated yesterday by a steady rain. The light fall of snow last week has made sleighing fairly good but yesterday's warm weather carried it all away.

—Rickaby & Co. have issued for 1900 a very useful desk calendar. Its daily use will keep the memory well trained and incidentally remind one that Rickaby & Co. handle insurance and real estate.

—The regular monthly meeting of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union will be held next Tuesday afternoon at 3 o'clock with Mrs. S. H. Brackett, 23 Main street. All ladies are cordially invited.

—At the conclusion of a regular meeting of Passumpsic Lodge, F. and A. M., on Thursday evening, Rev. A. C. Hussey paid an eloquent tribute to the memory of the nation's first president, George Washington.

—George Murphy was sentenced to the industrial school for eight months, Saturday, for truancy in the public schools. The trustee officer proposes to keep a sharp look-out for truants hereafter and see that the laws are enforced.

—After January 1st the B. & M. railroad will pay their employees semi-monthly instead of monthly as heretofore. The pay car will be discontinued, payment being made by check. Representatives from the paymaster's office will visit all the larger stations.

—At the last regular meeting of Green Mt. Lodge, N. E. O. P., the following officers were elected: Warden, G. P. Metcalf; vice warden, G. H. Stearns; secretary, D. M. Badger; financial secretary, H. A. Bartlett; treasurer, J. H. Thompson; chaplain, Mrs. M. E. Heath; guide, Mrs. E. M. Stevens; guardian, E. E. Evans; sentinel, O. C. Chamberlin; trustee for three years, H. R. Albee.

—Among the many finely decorated windows in town, one which is particularly interesting to the children is the Little Red Riding Hood creation in Lougee Bros. & Smythe's north window. It is simple but exceedingly effective. In the midst of a small forest of fir trees is Granny's "tiny cottage" covered with handkerchiefs. Through the windows can be seen the wolf in bed, and near the cottage is Little Red Riding Hood herself. Every feature of the work is true to the universally accepted idea of this old and always popular story for children. The display is the work of B. I. Staples.

The North Church Calls a Pastor.

At a special meeting of the North church last evening it was voted to extend a call to Rev. T. Calvin McClelland, pastor of the Union Congregational church of Newport, R. I. All who heard the eloquent preacher or who met him and his charming wife in a social way during their brief stay in St. Johnsbury earnestly hope he will accept the call.

VERMONT STATE GRANGE

It Holds Its Twenty-eighth Annual Session at St. Johnsbury.

The 28th annual meeting of the Vermont State Grange met in St. Johnsbury last Wednesday, Thursday and Friday and the meetings which were largely of a secret nature, were attended by delegates from all over the state and greatly enjoyed by the members of the organization. The officers had their headquarters at the Avenue House and the sessions on Wednesday were held in Odd Fellows Hall. The other two days the meetings were held in the Pythian Hall. About 200 delegates were present during the session, 50 of the subordinate Granges and all the Pomona Granges being represented. Most of the officers of the State Grange were here and the representation was one of the largest for many years.

On Wednesday the annual address was given by C. J. Bell, Master of the State Grange, and routine business was disposed of. On Thursday the meeting was devoted to the exemplification of secret work and the sixth degree was worked in the evening. During Thursday two members were elected to the executive committee, I. T. Chase of Essex being elected to succeed himself and D. H. Morse of Randolph was elected to succeed Alpha Messer of Rochester. The sessions closed on Friday morning. No election of officers was held as this only occurs once in two years.

The meeting attracted many prominent agriculturists to our town and the ladies were well represented in the meetings. The public will be most interested in the report of the banquet which occurred in Pythian Hall on Wednesday evening.

The banquet was a very enjoyable feature of the meeting. Two hundred and twenty-five members and invited guests were present, both the banquet room and the main hall being used and the affair was one of the most successful of the kind ever held here.

Hon. C. J. Bell in his usual happy way presided as toastmaster and in his introductory remarks spoke entertainingly of the old fashioned social life of the farm, of the neighborhood visits, huskings, barn raisings etc.; how these had in a measure become things of the past and how the grange had taken their place to a large degree. In introducing Gov. E. C. Smith, the first speaker of the evening, Mr. Bell remarked that he had taken a greater apparent interest in matters pertaining to farmers than any governor of recent years. Gov. Smith in responding to the toast, "Our Country," spoke briefly of important questions which are before our country today. The greater part of his brief remarks however was devoted to the subject of fraternal state meetings as a means of bringing the east and west sides of the state into a closer acquaintanceship.

"The National Grange" was the subject of the Grand Lecturer of that body, Hon. N. J. Bachelder, of Andover, N. H. He spoke of the history and growth of the order and in an interesting way of the three principal branches of the work; educational, financial and legislative. Mr. Bachelder is an entertaining speaker and held the close attention of the audience. One of his remarks which created quite a ripple of applause was when he advised the members of the order to watch closely the legislature of the state, to get a farmer governor as often as possible, and to remember that a good toastmaster would make a good governor.

"The Poetry of Farming" was the subject of an ably written poem by Mrs. Luna S. Peck of Burlington. Following this, C. F. Scarff read in a delightful way one of his dialect poems "The Possum Roast." Later in the evening he gave another, "The Roasting of the Corn." In the absence of Lieut. Gov. Bates the toast "Our Legislation" was responded to by C. F. Smith of Morrisville. Carl S. Hopkins of Brattleboro spoke on "The Crowning Virtue of the Grange Woman." Hon. M. S. Stone of Montpelier, addressed the meeting on "The Guarantee of the Future—Our Boys and Girls." Mr. Stone is an able, interesting speaker and his remarks were received with enthusiasm.

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The monthly social of the First Baptist church will be held with Mr. and Mrs. Harry E. Harvey Friday evening, Dec. 22, at 35 Spring street. A cordial invitation is extended to the members of the church and parish.

Elder Atkins will speak next Sunday night at the G. A. R. hall on the "Promise to Abraham, and the Home of the Saved" showing that this earth is to be restored to its Eden beauty and then to be the home of the redeemed forever.

Rev. Henry E. Jewett preached at the South church last Sunday and on Monday evening a reception was tendered him at Elmwood by Prof. and Mrs. Henry Fairbanks.

Fr. O'Neil's Lecture.

St. Aloysius church was well filled last Wednesday evening to hear the lecture by Rev. Fr. O'Neil of Northfield. The speaker was introduced by the pastor and said he would answer three questions, Is Christianity a success or a failure? Why are secret societies condemned by the Catholic church? To what degree can we rely on natural science in our search for the truth. On the first point the speaker clearly proved that Christianity was a success and was gradually overcoming the world. Coming to the discussion of secret societies he said that a society was secret when it refused to divulge its principles to the proper authorities in the church and state. The Knights of Columbus had disclosed their principles and Cardinal Sartoli, the papal delegate in America, had approved of the principles of the order. Coming to his last question he said that when science is in conflict with religion the latter should not be rejected, but further investigations should be made along scientific lines. It is not science that deceives but its interpreters. What science teaches is generally substantially true, but it may be incomplete. There should be no conflict with religion and science and some of the greatest scientists in the world have been the best Christians.

Fr. O'Neil is a scholarly and eloquent speaker, was closely listened to and warmly applauded at the close of his address.

Village Caucus.

About 75 voters met in the Town Hall last Friday evening to nominate officers for the annual village meeting and the business of the evening was quickly disposed of. The call was read by the village clerk, and Major N. P. Bowman elected chairman of the caucus and Arthur P. Stone clerk. The following officers were then nominated by acclamation:

President, D. Y. Comstock.
Clerk, Arthur P. Stone.
Treasurer, E. D. Blodgett.
Collector of Taxes, George R. Crosby.
Trustees, Cyrus Sargent, E. H. Blossom, L. H. Farnham.
Auditors, George W. Cree, William H. Horton, Philip H. Stone.
Fire Wardens, John N. Gale, Cyrus Sargent, George R. Crosby, Henry E. Byron, M. J. Russell, E. L. Hunt, W. P. Dean.

Church Notes.

At the Christmas sale at St. Aloysius Hall held the past week the following were the recipients of the principal articles: Miss Bessie Higgins, a gold watch; John Ryan, a writing desk; John McDonald, a barrel of flour; Robert Stenson, a steel engraving; Mr. Collins of Boston, a banquet lamp. In the contest for the gold-headed cane, between Patrick Leonard and P. J. Mulrooney, the former was the successful one, and Irene Peck is to receive the doll, she and Mary Brown being the two contestants. The receipts of the sale are about \$600. Saturday evening there will be a Christmas tree in the hall for the Sunday school and the cane and doll are to be presented during the evening.

First Church of Christ, Scientist, Odd Fellows' block. Morning service at 10.45. Subject, "Christian Science." Sunday school following the morning service. Wednesday evening meeting at 7.30. Reading room open Wednesday and Thursday from 2 to 5.

In the absence of C. W. Pickells on account of illness, Sunday, Ernest Clark presided at the organ at St. Andrew's church.

The North church pulpit was occupied last Sunday morning and evening by Rev. T. C. McClelland, of Newport, R. I., and next Sunday morning Rev. Henry E. Jewett, of Berkeley, Cal., will occupy the pulpit.

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Sympathy for the Boers.

At a regular meeting Saturday evening of Chamberlin Post, No. 1, Department of Vermont, G. A. R., the following resolution was introduced by Dr. G. B. Bullard and unanimously adopted:

To Mr. Kruger, President of the Transvaal Republic, Greeting:

We send to you and your people our heartfelt sympathy and wish for your ultimate success and freedom. We feel that you are similarly situated as the Americans were in the revolutionary war with England from 1776 through 1784, when our patriotic forefathers had such a struggle to gain their freedom. We wish you the same success in your contest and that you may eventually have as grand a republic as ours.

Chamberlin Post, No. 1, Dept. of Vt., G. A. R., St. Johnsbury, Vt., Dec. 18, 1899. This resolution was debated by many of the members of the Post and passed without a dissenting vote.

Christmas at the Churches.

At the Free Baptist church the pastor's sermon will be appropriate to the day. The choir will present the following programme of music:
"Glory of the Lord," R. H. Phippen
"Albion! Albion!" R. E. DeKee
"There were shepherds," Caleb Simper
Hymn, "Hark! what mean those holy voices?"
Hymn, "Oh could I speak the matchless worth."

The Sunday school will give a Christmas concert at 7 o'clock in the evening. Presents from the Christmas tree will be distributed on Monday evening at the same hour.

The subject at Grace Methodist church Sunday morning will be "Christmas Bells." Special Christmas music will be furnished by the quartette. In the evening a Christmas concert exercise entitled "Christmas Glory" will be rendered by a chorus of fifty voices in addition to special music by the quartette, and recitations by members of the Sunday school. The following musical programme will be rendered:

MORNING.
Tollite Hostias, final chorus from the Oratorio of Noel, by Camille Saint Saens.
"Glory be to God on High," by Nivin.
"A Christmas Song," by Howard.
"Holy Voices," by Marz.
Postlude, by Ebenezer Prout.EVENING.
"Quis Est Homo," duet from the Stabat Mater, by Rosini.
Christmas Anthem, by Schnecker.
"Holy Night," by H. B. Fillmore, the Quartette assisted by Mr. Young.
Postlude, Fugue with Choral by Gustav Merkel.

Rev. Charles Pickells, D. D., of London, who is visiting his son, C. W. Pickells, will have charge of St. Andrew's parish for a time, beginning next Sunday when there will be the two regular services. The five o'clock afternoon service will be a special Christmas service for the Sunday school. There will be a choral celebration of the Holy Communion in St. Andrew's church on Christmas day at 10.30 a. m. The music will consist of Kyrie, Credo, Sanctus, Agnus Dei and Gloria in Excelsis by A. J. Eyre, in E flat, and the anthem, "Behold I bring you glad tidings," by Sir John Goss.

At the Universalist church the pastor, Rev. I. P. Quimby, will take for his subject, "The Adaptation of the Bible to the wants of Mankind." At 7 p. m. there will be a Sunday school concert in the church, to which the general public are cordially invited. Monday evening there will be a Christmas tree at the vestry, especially for the benefit of the pupils of the Sunday school. There will be an interesting and pleasant entertainment. All interested are invited to be present.

The Sunday school of the North church will hold a Christmas concert on Sunday evening next, and some very interesting musical and literary exercises are being made ready for this occasion by several classes and by individual pupils. Mrs. Anna Spencer Frost will assist by giving a reading, and the choir will contribute a special selection or two. The annual distribution of books to the children who have been constant in attendance at the morning service will take place at this time. All are cordially invited to these exercises. On Monday evening, at half-past six o'clock, the children of the intermediate and primary departments will gather around a Christmas tree and have a merry time for an hour, finishing their fun in season to enjoy whatever festivities they had planned to indulge in at their homes.

Following is the programme of the music at the North church next Sunday:
MORNING SERVICE
Organ Voluntary.
Anthem, "A Song of the Nativity" Christmas Cantata.
Anthem, "Christmas" Organ and piano solo.
Carol, "Sweeter than Songs of Summer."
Organ Postlude.EVENING.
Organ Voluntary.
Anthem, "Christians Awake," Schnecker
Anthem, "O'er the Hills of Bethlehem," Shelley
Organ Postlude.

The choir will have the assistance of Miss Anna M. Somerville and Mrs. H. E. Smith sopranos, Miss Mabel Carpenter alto, and C. H. Wood basso.

At the South church at the morning service the full chorus will sing selections from Dudley Buck's "The Coming of the King." In the evening the children will sing carols by Schilling, Sheppard, Wilkinson and Luther and the chorus assisted by Mr. Young, violinist, will sing the following:
"It is the Blessed Xmas Morn," Bartlett
"Brightest and Best," Hanscom
Guerette, "Hark! Hark with Harps of Gold," Marston
"Sing, Oh Heavens," Tours.

The services at the First Baptist church next Sunday will be appropriate to the Christmas season. The choir, assisted by the Bible school scholars will give a Christmas song service in the evening and the pastor will give a short talk on "Some Christmas lessons." On Monday evening there will be a Christmas tree and festival to which all the members of the Sunday school and parish are cordially invited. Presents for the tree should be left with the committee as soon as 5 p. m.

Midnight mass will be observed next Sunday night at St. Aloysius church and special music is being prepared for the occasion.

Federation of Women's Clubs.

The Vermont Federation of Women's clubs has issued its year book for 1899-1900. These Vermont towns furnish clubs in the Federation; Barre, (3), Bennington, Brattleboro, Chester, Enosburgh Falls, Johnson, Lyndonville, (2), Middlebury, Morrisville, Royalton, Rutland, (2), St. Johnsbury, Waterbury, White River Junction, and Boston, Mass. The fifth annual meeting of the Federation will be held in Rutland, October 19 and 20, 1900.

FURNITURE
CLEARANCE SALE.

Owing to the dissolution of partnership and giving up of part of my room, I shall sell for the next thirty days my stock of Furniture at a large discount.

I have a nice line of

PARLOR FURNITURE,
CHAMBER FURNITURE,
DINING ROOM FURNITURE.
Lounges, Couches, Bookcases, Combination cover
Desks, CHIFFONNIERS, FANCY CHAIRS, &c.Now is the time to get your Christmas goods
Cheaper than you will ever buy again.

S. W. HALL.

Music Hall, Main Street.

FRATERNITY MEETINGS.

Palestine Commandery, No. 5, K. T.

Passumpsic Lodge No. 27, F. and A. M.

A Called Communication will be held Thursday evening, December 7, 2d degree. Official visitation by W. G. Cheney, D.D.G.M. Palestine Commandery No. 5, K. T., will hold Christmas services on Monday, Dec. 25. Sir Knights are requested to rendezvous at the assembly at 11 o'clock. Special convocate Tuesday evening, Dec. 26. The order of the Temple will be conferred.

DELOS M. BACON, Recorder.
PERLEY P. HAZEN, Commander.

The next regular Communication will be held Thursday evening, January 11.

EPHRAIM AMAZEEN, Master.

DELOS M. BACON, Secretary.

Knights of Pythias.

Regular convention of Apollo Lodge No. 2 Tuesday night, December 26.

Work in 2d rank and final nomination of officers and election.

J. C. BRAVERMAN, Chancellor Commander.

J. M. CUSHMAN, Keeper of Records and Seal.

NEW ADS. THIS WEEK.

New York Sun.
Real Estate and Insurance.
Vermont Farm Machine Co.
Cheap—Steele, Taplin & Co.
5 per cent. Guaranteed Bonds.
Annual Meeting—Passumpsic Bank.
Girl Wanted for General Housework.
Christmas Candles—Field & Rowell.
Leather Goods and Cigars—Bingham's.
New Hardware Store—George K. Swett.
Bankruptcy Discharge—Minnie I. Stevens.

WEATHER RECORD.

At Bingham's Drug Store, for the week ending December 18, 1899.
Highest Lowest
Wednesday..... 43..... 30
Thursday..... 32..... 22
Friday..... 27..... 12
Saturday..... 15..... -4
Sunday..... 28..... -2
Monday..... 32..... 27
Tuesday..... 55..... 42
—Indicates below zero.

ANNUAL MEETING.

The annual meeting of the Corporation of the Passumpsic Savings Bank will be held at the Bank Wednesday, Jan. 10, 1900, at two o'clock p. m.
W. S. ROYSTON, Secretary.
St. Johnsbury, Vt., Dec. 18, 1899.

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